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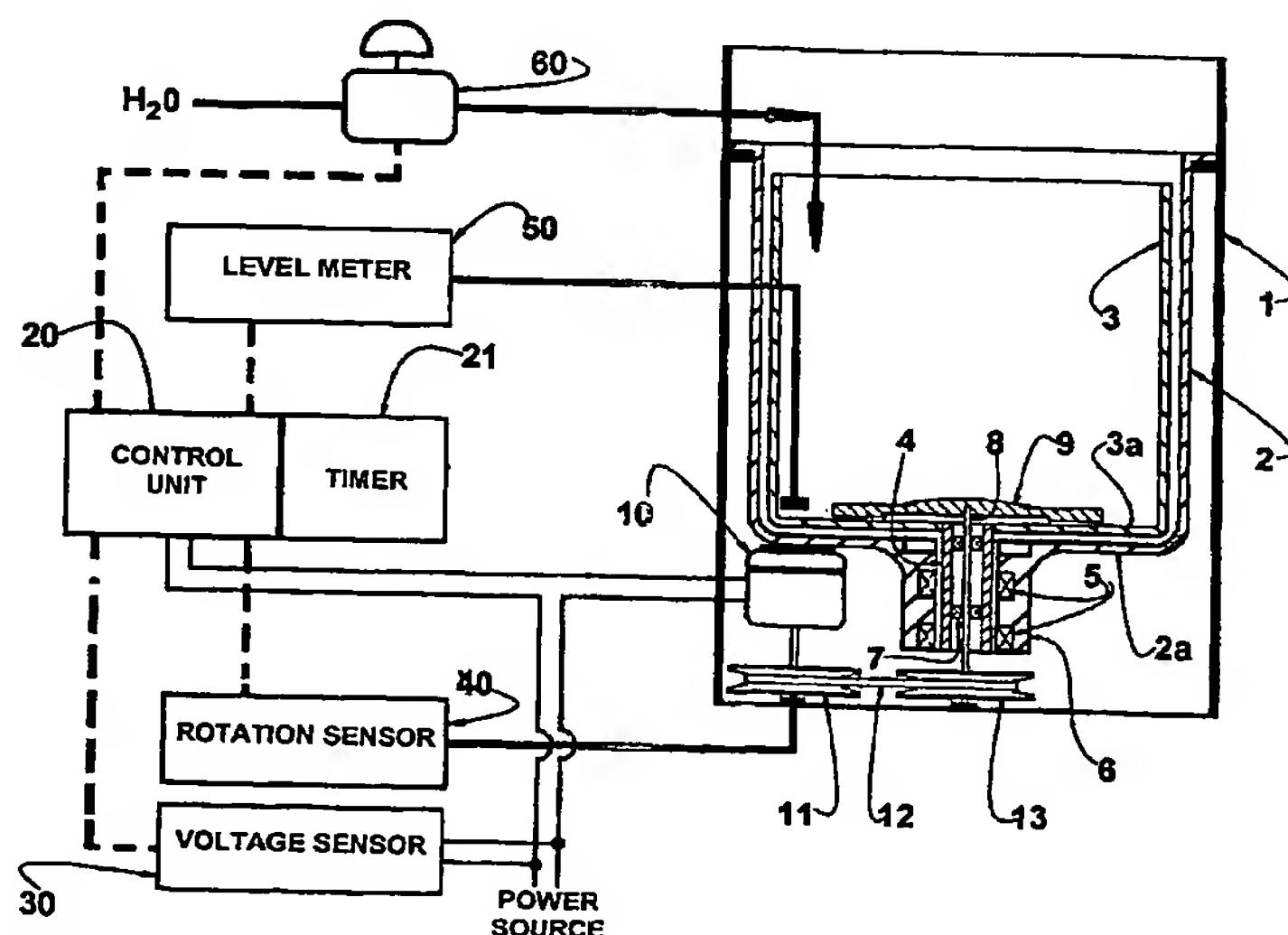
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(57) Abstract: A system and a process for detecting a load of clothes in an automatic laundry machine, comprising a voltage sensor (30), a rotation sensor (40), and a control unit (20) which is supplied with data representative of the medium torque M_{mot} of the electric motor (10) in different voltage ranges and with data representative of acceleration and deceleration reference times (T_{a1} and T_{d1}) of the electric motor (10) with the basket (3) in a unloaded condition and containing a load of clothes, between two distinct and predetermined rotation values of the electric motor (10), so as to calculate the moments of inertia (J_v, J_c) of the basket (3) in the unloaded and in the loaded conditions, said control unit (20) calculating the difference between said moments of inertia ($J_c e J_v$) of the basket (3) and producing a signal representative of the mass of the load of clothes.

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